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CLOSING OFF THE OPEN END OF A
CONTAINER WITH A REMOVABLE
FLEXIBLE MEMBRANE COVERED
BY A RIGID CAP

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

On May 15, 2009 the Appeal Board issued an Order Returning Undocketed Appeal to Examiner stating that the Examiner relied on a foreign reference for which no certified translation was made of record. In order to advance the Appeal and assist the Office, Applicant submits herewith a certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. JP 62-122962 to Sekiguchi.

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